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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION AND AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action dated June 14, 2005, concerning the above-referenced patent application. The amendments and remarks below are submitted as placing the application in condition for allowance.

**Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this document.**

**Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this document.**

**Please amend the application as follows:**

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